

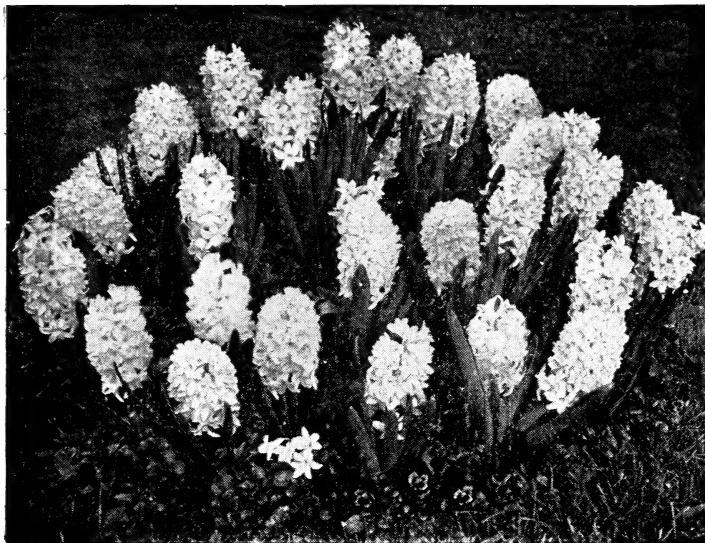
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Bancroft's Beautiful Flowers

FALL 1913



Hyacinths

ROMAN HYACINTHS

These are specially valuable for forcing and pot culture in the house, the French varieties producing from two to six spikes of dainty, very fragrant flowers.

The Dutch Romans while they only produce one flower, are superior to the unnamed Dutch for pot culture. If planted early in

September they can be brought into flower in December, and by keeping them under cover and bringing into light when wanted, a succession of bloom may be kept until April. They are not considered hardy as far north as this.

(See page 4.)

BULBS in the fall are now a necessity to all who love flowers—both for indoor blooming in winter and for planting outside in the fall for next spring's blooming. No money you can invest will bring you such pleasurable returns as that invested in bulbs.

They are easily grown in living rooms or not affected by the common changes of temperature or gas, and very easily taken care of, and for beauty and fragrance they excell any other flowers.

WHEN TO ORDER. It is best to order promptly on receipt of this list, but they may be planted outside any time up to freezing weather. Practically all the bulbs in this list are ready about October first, some of them before, with the exception of the hardy Japanese Lilies. These are not ready until about November first.

The stock that we send out is the same that we use ourselves and it not a lot of cheap bulbs that are often used in the cheap collections advertised, but is all HIGH GRADE STOCK. We have endeavored to put the price as low as possible for this grade of bulbs. Last year some varieties were soft on account of rainy weather in Europe. Any of our customers who received any bulbs that did not prove satisfactory last fall will please advise us stating what you purchased and we will try and make matters right with you.

JOSEPH BANCROFT & SON

Lock Box 37

CEDAR FALLS, IOWA

CUT FLOWERS

WE CARRY ON HAND at all times, large quantities of all seasonable flowers. In point of equipment and size our plant is the best of its kind in Northern Iowa. Large quantities of Roses, Carnations, Lilies, Chrysanthemums and all other seasonable flowers are grown in our plant, so that we can care for your orders in a satisfactory manner.

PRICES OF LOOSE CUT FLOWERS

Below we give a table showing about what you may expect to pay at the different seasons. Others may be lower at times, but when they get a chance they will make up for it and more too. These prices are for the very best stock.

	Thanksgiving	Dec. 22 to Jan. 1	Nov. 1 to Mar. 1	Sept. to Nov. 1
ROSES	Per Dozen	Per Dozen	Per Dozen	Per Dozen
American Beauty -- Quality limited. Place your order early. Price varies according to season and length of stem	\$3.00 to \$5.00	\$3.00 to \$8.00	\$2.00 to \$5.00	\$2.00 to \$3.00
Bride, Kaiserin and Ivory -- Finest white.....	\$1.50	\$2.00	\$1.25 and \$1.50	1.00 to 1.50
Bridesmaid and Killarney -- Finest pink.....	1.75	2.25	1.25 and 1.50	1.00 to 1.50
Perle des Jardins and Sunburst -- Yellow	1.25	1.75	1.00 and 1.50	1.00 to 1.50
Golden Gate -- Blush-white.....	1.25	1.75	1.00 and 1.50	1.00 to 1.50
Richmond -- Crimson	1.75	2.50	1.25 and 1.50	1.00 to 1.50
CARNATIONS				
White, Light and Dark Pink, Red and Variegated.....	.75	1.00	.50 and .75	.35 to .50
Fancy -- Large flowers, long stems; assorted colors	1.00	1.25		
Extra-Fancy Selected	1.00	1.50	\$1.00	.60 to .75

Assorted Boxes of loose cut flowers and green, suitable for any occasion, at \$1, \$2, \$3, \$5 and \$10. Try one of our \$1 boxes for your sick friends. It will surprise and please them, and nothing will cheer them more. Sent pre-paid anywhere for \$1.

Special Rates will be made for those wishing large quantities. Send list of wants and get our prices before you buy.

LILIES, Harrisii and Calla. Season almost the entire year; 20 cts. each, \$2 per doz., except December 1 and April 1, when price of Lilies are 25 cts. each, \$3 per doz. All large buds count the same as flowers on Harrisii Lilies.

Hyacinths and Narcissus. Season Dec. 10th to April 1st. 75c to \$1.50 per doz., according to variety.

Sweet Peas and Violets, 25 cts. per doz.

Asparagus Plumosus. Sprays 25c per doz., extra long sprays 50c per doz. Strings 75c and \$1.00 each.

Sprengeri. Sprays 25c and 50c per doz.

Smilax. 25c per string of 4 or 5 ft. \$2.50 per doz. strings.

Chrysanthemums. All the popular colors. Season October 15th to December 15th. Good flowers \$1.00 per doz., select \$1.50 per doz., extra fancy, \$2.00 to \$3.00 per doz.

HOW TO PLANT YOUR BULBS

A careful study of the engraving will show you the exact depth and distance to plant your bulbs outside. Spade your ground up well—good and deep—well pulverized and rich. Then smooth off the soil and firm with brick or board. By using a round stick a little larger than the bulb you are planting, you can easily make holes the right size and depth. Drop your bulb in right side up, fill up the hole and again pack solid; firm and give thorough watering when the ground is dry outside.

When the ground freezes in the Fall give a thorough mulch, leaving same on all Winter and gradually remove the mulch in the spring.

We consider it advisable when the ground is thoroughly moist after you have placed your mulch on the same, to cover the entire bed up with boards or roofing paper so as to prevent it from getting very wet in the Spring and the freezing and thawing in the Winter.

For inside use, plant your bulbs in light sandy soil, firming them well in the soil with the crown of the bulb just below the surface. Give them thorough watering; then plunge the pots in the cellar to the depth of three or four inches above the pot. Examine them occasionally and if they become dry give them a thorough watering, keeping them buried from four to six weeks till they are started. Then remove them to the light and grow cool. Do not bring them to the light until they are thoroughly rooted and started and do not put them in a hot, sunny place as this will have a tendency to make short inferior blooming stalks. A light, cool, sunny window is best for the growing of all bulbs in the home. Hyacinths will have longer spikes if grown in the shade.

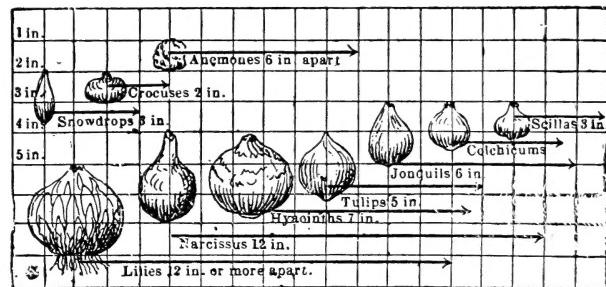
FLOWERS FOR THE HOUSE THE SEASON THROUGH

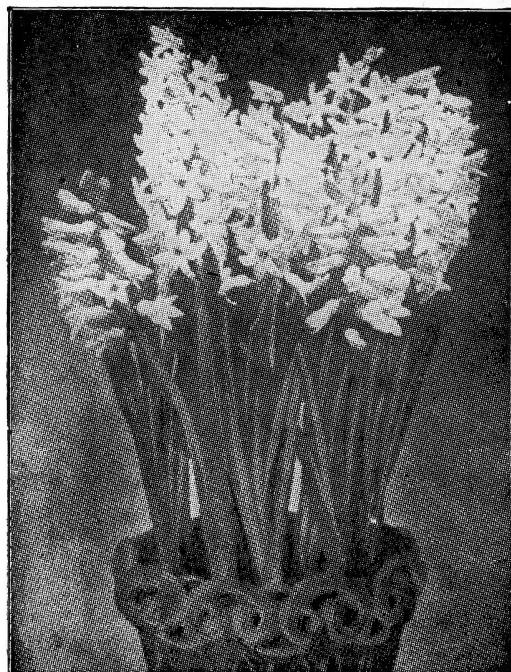


You enjoy having flowers in the home and having them on the table when you have a few friends in; why not have them oftener? Part of the year you cannot grow them, but we make it easy for you to have them whenever you like, at a small cost. Our **\$1.00** box of Cut-flowers sent prepaid anywhere, is always suitable, whatever the occasion.

SEND FOR ONE OF OUR SPECIAL BOXES OF CUT FLOWERS

For the home, for a party or for a sick friend. Just mail us your card and **\$1.00** with the address of the person who is to receive it, and we will do the rest. We know you will be pleased. We grow the flowers we sell—ship them fresh from our greenhouse.





French Roman Hyacinths

DUTCH ROMAN or Miniature

(These are especially suitable for pot culture inside)

Gigantea. Blush pink.**Baroness van Thuyt.** Pure white.**Grand Maitre.** Deep blue.**Gertrude.** Clear pink.**Queen of Blues.** Light blue.

Price 5c each 50c per doz.

UNNAMED HYACINTHS

(Especially suitable for outdoor culture)

Colors Separate.**SINGLE.** Light blue, Dark Blue, Red, Rose, White and Yellow.**DOUBLE.** Light blue, Dark blue, Red, Rose, White and Yellow.Price 5c each, 50c per doz., \$3.50
100.**EARLY FRENCH ROMAN**

By planting a few bulbs every two weeks, you can easily have a succession of flowers from Christmas till Easter.

Single Blue, Single Pink and Single White, 5c each, 50c per doz. . . .**HYACINTHS**

(If By Mail, Add One Cent Each)

Important for indoor culture plant one bulb in 4 inch or 3 or 4 in a six inch pot. Use light rich soil. Plant about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below surface—give a good watering and set away in cool, dark place for 6 or 8 weeks, bringing them in as wanted.

Use French Romans, Dutch Romans and Named Dutch for indoor planting.

For Garden Culture. Plant 6 inches deep and protect well with mulch. Do not uncover too early in Spring—the Unnamed Dutch are most suitable for outdoor planting.

NAMED DUTCH HYACINTHS

(These are the best for pot culture indoors.)

DOUBLE VARIETIES**Gertrude.** Medium early, rose pink.**Gigantea.** Early blush pink.**Robert Steiger.** Early crimson.**Albertine.** Pure white, early.**Rio des Belges.** Bright scarlet, early.**Grandeur Merveille.** Late blush.**Queen of the Blues.** Early, light blue**King of the Blues.** Dark blue medium.**Mad Vanderhoop.** Large, late, white.**Ida.** Yellow.**Regulous.** Light blue striped, early.**DOUBLE VARIETIES****Boquet Tendre.** Early carmine.**Blocksburg.** Early porcelain.**Prince Saxweimar.** Rich purple.**White Boquet Royal.** White, early.**Sunflower.** Buff, good spike.**Isabelle.** Blush white.**Pink Boquet Royal.** Early, bright pink.**Gen. Antinck.** Light blue, early.**Lady Derby.** Delicate pink, early.**C. Wiseman.** Dark pink.**Grand Maitre.** Dark porcelain, early. Price of Named Hyacinths, 12 cts. each, 6 for 65 cts., 12 for \$1.25.

TULIPS

No Flower for outside planting will give you the pleasure these will. Plant as soon as received in the Fall and after the ground freezes, protect with mulching, which should be removed as soon as they show growth in the Spring.

If by mail add 5c per doz.; 20c per 100.

NAMED VARIETIES

SINGLE VARIETIES

Artus. Brilliant scarlet.

Cottage Maid White, edged rose.

Duc Van Thol. Crimson

Duc Van Thoi. Red and yellow.

Rose Mundi. Dark pink, feathered white.

Chrysolora. Golden Yellow, fine for bedding.

L'Immacule. Pure white.

White Swan. Pure white.

Dutchess of Parma. Brown and orange.

La Reine. White shaded rose.

Keizerkroon. Red, with broad yellow border.

Crimson King. Crimson, good bedder.

Yellow Pottebaker. Light yellow.
Princess Marie Ann... White rose shaded.

DOUBLE VARIETIES

Count of Leicester. Orange feathered.

Duc Van Thol. Red and yellow.

Duc Van Thol. Scarlet.

Duke of York. Red, edged yellow.

Rose Blanche. Extra large white.

Tournesol Yellow. Bright yellow shaded orange 5c each.

SINGLE EARLY TULIPS

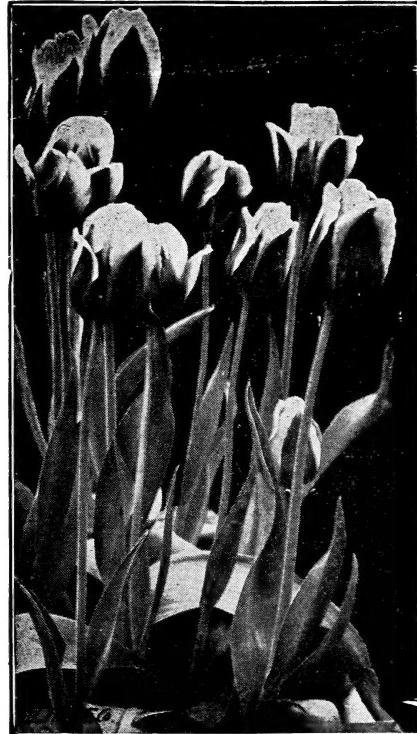
Separate Color Mixture

	Doz	100
White Shades	\$.30	\$1.60
Yellow Shades .....	.30	1.60
Pink Shades .....	.30	1.60
Red Shades .....	.30	1.60
Variegated Shades .....	.30	1.60

SINGLE FINE MIXED

For bedding, per doz. 25c; 100 for \$1.40; 250 for \$3.00

Add 20 cents per 100, if by mail.



Keizerkroon

Rubra Maxima. Brilliant Scarlet.

Murillo. Light rose and white.

Salvator. Rosea. Beautiful deep rose 5c each.

Price of Named Tulips. 3c each, 35c per doz., \$2.35 per 100.

DOUBLE EARLY TULIPS

Separate Color Mixture

	Doz	100
White Shades	\$.35	\$1.75
Yellow Shades .....	.35	1.75
Pink Shades .....	.35	1.75
Red Shades .....	.35	1.75
Variegated Shades .....	.35	1.75

DOUBLE FINE MIXED

For Bedding, per doz. 30c; 100 for \$1.60; 250 for \$3.75.

LATE FLOWERING TULIPS

This section of the Tulip Family deserves more attention. Being of great beauty and coming into bloom as they do, about "Decoration Day," a splendid succession of bloom can be had when planted along with the early Tulips. They are extremely hardy and particularly fine for planting in clumps amongst shrubbery or in the herbaceous border. The flowers being borne on extra long stems make them invaluable as cut flowers and they have the added value of lasting a long time when cut and placed in water.



LATE FLOWERING TULIPS

Darwin Tulips. Of large size, and very brilliant colors, borne on strong stems, many of them 2 ft. high. Color varies from pale blush to brightest red, lilac in different shades of blue.

Parrot Tulips. Flowers of large size, beautiful variegated and fringed Flowers keep well when cut. Superfine, mixed.

Bizards. Mixed Flowers beautifully blotched, striped and feathered with crimson, pink, scarlet, rose, lilac and purple on yellow ground.

Maiden Blush. A long shaped flower, pure white, with beautiful margin of rose.

Gesneriana. Scarlet, blue center, sweet scented, one of the best for outdoor planting.

Parisian Yellow. Large pure yellow flowers, borne on long stems.

Byblooms. Flowers beautifully blotched, striped and feathered with pink, crimson, scarlet, rose, blue and purple on white ground. Very showy.

Isabella. Beautiful salmon pink, best late pink variety.

Parisian White. Large pure white.

Sweet Nancy. Pure white edges, margined pink.

Price of late flowering Tulips 35c per doz., \$2.50 per 100.

Special Mixture of all late flowering varieties equally divided as to sorts. 35¢ per doz., \$2.50 per 100.



Easter Lily

LILIES

JAPANESE EASTER LILIES (*Lilium Longiflorum Giganteum*)

This is the best of all Lilies for indoor pot culture, bulbs planted when received about latter part of September can be readily brought into bloom by Easter or before if kept in a warm room or a green house after roots have been thoroughly established. Flowers are large trumpet shape pure white in color and of a delicious fragrance.

FIRST SIZE BULB

15c each.

EXTRA SIZE BULBS

25c each; 65c for 3.

Lily Formosum. A different type of Easter Lily, tall in growth, very easy to grow and produces splendid heavy petal flowers.

1st size, 15cts. each

2nd size, 25 cts. each.

HARDY JAPAN LILIES

These are among the most beautiful of all hardy Lilies. Owing to their late arrival (middle of November) it is sometimes inconvenient to plant them as the ground is frozen. This however, can be easily overcome by covering the ground where the bulbs are to be planted with some loose leaves or manure and this slight trouble will be fully repaid when the flowering season comes around.

Speciosum Rubrum. White ground, spotted rose.

Speciosum Album. Pure white, very fragrant.

Auratum. Ready October 15th. The gold banded Lily of Japan.

Price of Japan Lilies 20c each, 3 for 50c.

LILY CANDIDUM

This is one of the oldest, loveliest and best known Lilies. The flowers, of which there are three to twenty on each stem are snow white, with heavy yellow stamens and of the most delightful fragrance. It is hardy and will thrive in any ordinary garden soil, preferring a position where it can get plenty of light and air. Bloom in the open ground about June 20. We recommend early planting of this Lily, as it makes its leaf-growth in the fall, and thus prepares itself for early blooming. Orders should therefore be sent in a receipt of this Catalog. Once planted they should not be disturbed for years, and customers will do well to plant a bed of 25 or more. **Select Bulbs**, 15 cents each. 4 for 50 cts.; 12 for \$1.50. **Mammoth Bulbs**, 25c each; 70c for 3, postpaid.

NARCISSUS AND DAFFODILS

All these varieties are equally suited for growing inside and for planting outdoors in the garden
in the garden.

If by mail add 1c each

SINGLE VARIETIES

Equally suitable for growing in house or for outdoor planting in the Fall for Spring blooming.

Emperor. Entire flower rich yellow, trumpet very large, 6c each, 60c per doz.

Empress. A fitting companion to above. The finest of the two colored varieties. Trumpet rich yellow, perianth pure white. 6c each, 60c per doz.

Golden Spur. Extra large rich yellow, strong grower. 7c each, 4 for 25c.

Trumpet Major. Large flowers of deep yellow, very early. 4c each, 12 for 35c.

Victoria. Pure white perianth, large yellow trumpet, easy grower. 6c each, 60c per doz.

Poeticus. Flower pure white, golden cup and distinct rim of pure scarlet. 3c each, 25c per doz.

Single Von Sion. Large deep yellow. 5c each, 50c per doz.

Mrs. Thompson. Very early, all pure white. 5c each, 50c per doz.

Grand Soleil d'Or. Yellow Orange cup. 6c each, 60c per doz.

Sir Watkin. Of good size, rich golden yellow cup. 6c each, 60c per doz.

Mrs. Langtry. Broad white petals, cup white edged yellow. 4c each, 40c per doz.

Henry Irving. Entire flower clear yellow, large size. A splendid variety, 5c each, 50c per doz.

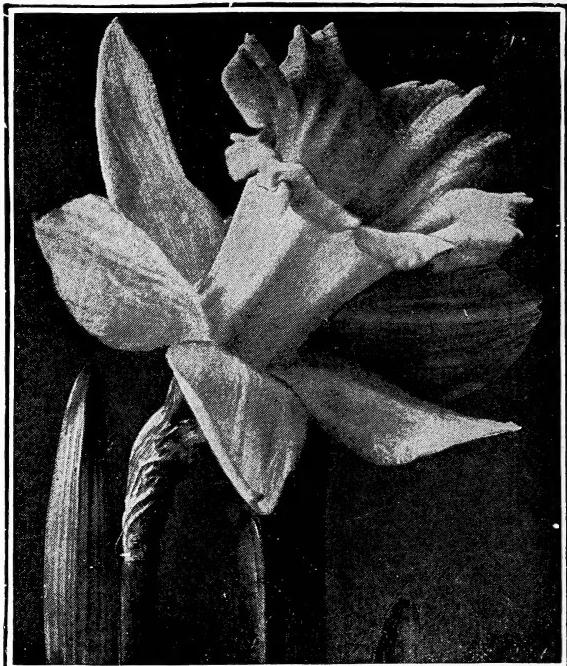
(Special offer, one each of above 12 varieties for 55 cts. prepaid.)

JONQUILS

Campernelles. Single yellow, very fragrant. 2c each, 20c per doz. \$1.25 per 100, prepaid.

Double. Rich golden yellow, large and full. 4c each, 40c per doz., prepaid.

Regulosos. Rich yellow, broad, imbricated perianth and wrinkled cup; 3c each, 35c per doz., \$2.00 per 100, prepaid.



Emperor Narcissus

NARCISSUS

DOUBLE VARIETIES. (If by mail add 1c each.)

Alba Plena Odorata. Fragrant, snow white. 3c each, 30c per doz.

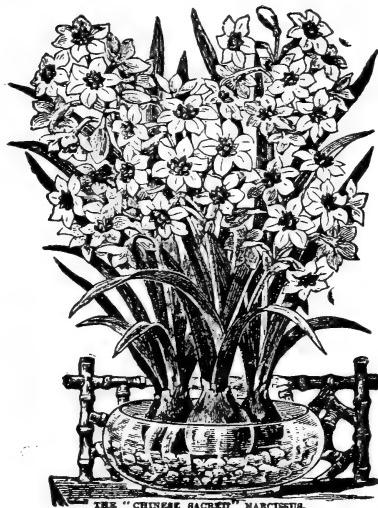
Incomparable. Pale yellow and orange, fragrant. 3c each, 30c per doz.

Von Sion. The grand old fashioned double yellow Daffodil. Splendid for indoor blooming and especially used as a cut flower. 4c each, 40c per doz.

Von Sion Double Nosed Bulbs. Will produce two or more flowers to the bulb. 6c each, 60c per doz.

Orange Phoenix. Flowers white, orange center, sweet scented. 4c each, 30c per doz.

Sulphur Phoenix. White and sulphur yellow. Easy to grow. 5c each, 40c per doz.



Lord Canning. Large golden yellow flowers with orange cups. 5c each, 50c per doz.

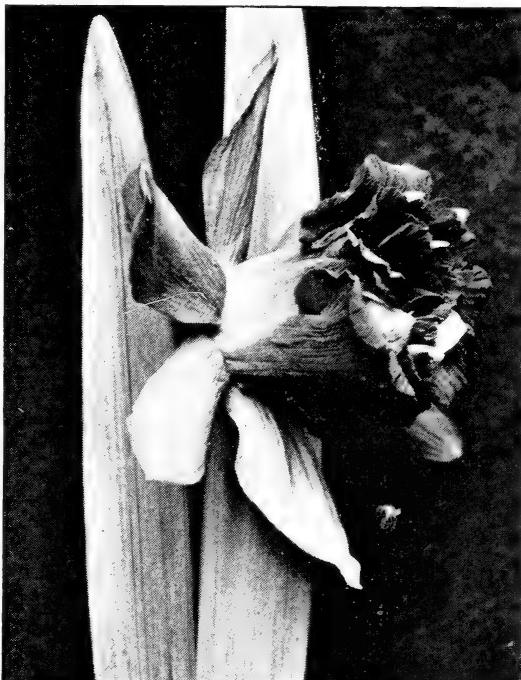
Maestro. Large thick petaled flower of creamy white with deep orange cup. 10c each, 3 for 25c.

TENDER VARIETIES

For early Blooming

Paper White Narcissus. These beautiful graceful Narcissus will flower as early as the Christmas Hyacinth and are the best of all European bulbs for growing in winter. The flower is larger than the Chinese Sacred Lily. Planted in earth use 6 to 8 bulbs in a six inch pan, which started in September will flower by Christmas. 5c each, 50c per doz., prepaid.

Early Double Roman. White with yellow center, very fragrant. 5c each, 50c per doz.



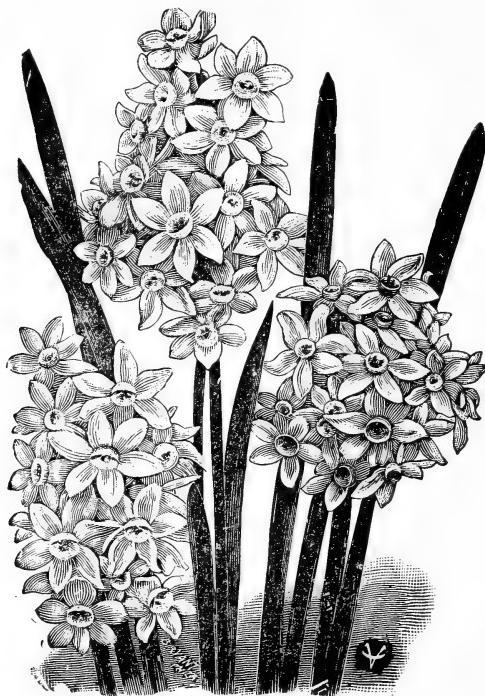
Von Sion Narcissus

NARCISSUS TENDER VARIETIES AND FOR GROWING IN WATER

Grand Monarque. Flowers white with yellow cup. Gives excellent results when grown in water. 6c each, 60c per doz. If by mail add 2c each.

Chinese Sacred Lily. Bulbs throw up 5 to 10 spikes bearing large clusters of fragrant white blossoms with yellow center. Very suitable for growing in water, 10c each, \$1.00 per doz. If by mail add 5c each.

yellow flowers with orange cups. 5c each, 50c



Narcissus, Paper White

ANEMONE

Wind Flower

Similar in appearance to Poppies.
Many shades and colors. Double
mixed 25c per doz.

ALLIUM NEAPOLITANUM

Of easiest culture, flowers star-shaped, produced in large, spreading umbells on long stems. Pure white. 25c per doz.

CHIONODOXA LUCILIAE

Glory of the Snow.

One of the earliest to bloom in the spring; perfectly hardy. Lovely blue and white. Usually blooms by Xmas if grown inside. 3c each, .35c per doz.

GLADIOLUS

For winter blooming. For grace and beauty these cannot be excelled. Plant 3 in a 6 inch pot, or if planted in Fall outside and well protected will bloom in June.

The Bride. Pure white. 2 for 5c; 25c per doz.

The Blushing Bride. Blush white with three pink blotches on lower petals. 3c each, 35c per doz.

Peach Blossom. A beautiful soft pink. 5c each, 50c per doz.

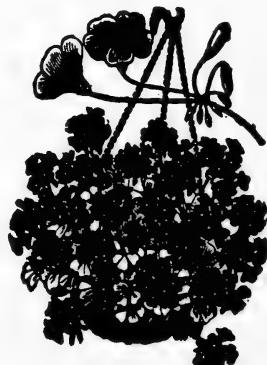
IXIAS. These graceful flowers include many shades of yellow, pink, scarlet and crimson and resemble a miniature Gladiolus, 3 for 5c, 15c per doz.

SNOWDROPS. These beautiful flowers are first to open in the Spring. 25c per doz.; Double 35c per doz.

GIANT SNOWDROPS. Three times the size of common, single varieties. 25c per doz.

OXALIS

Flower soon after planting, easily grown. Charming for hanging basket.



Alba. Single white.

Double Yellow.

Butter Cup. Large single yellow.

Hirta Rosea. Pink.

5 for 20c, 12 for 35c.

FREESIA REFRACTA ALBA

Very easy of culture and beautiful. Plant 6 bulbs in a five inch pot. Largest size, 3c each, 12 for 30c.



Purity Freesia. Flowers of large size, with great length and strength of stem. A magnificent, showy, glistening white, 5c each, 50c per doz.

SPANISH IRIS. Very hardy and satisfactory. Many shades of coloring. Plant in clumps three or four inches apart, outside. All colors mixed, 15c per doz., \$1.00 per 100

LILY OF THE VALLEY. Strong pips for indoor forcing. Ready from November till March. Six for 20c, 30c per doz. Clumps for outside planting 25c each.

BULBS FOR NATURAL EFFECTS

Narcissus, Crocus, Scillas, Snowdrops and Tulips are especially suitable for planting in clumps along streams and fence corners—if planted in clumps, in a sheltered spot will produce a mass of color in Spring. We put up following collections for this purpose by express. Charges collect.

Crocus, assorted colors, 100 for 50c, 250 for \$1.15.

Narcissus, hardy varieties in assortment, our selection \$1.50 per 100.

Tulips, late flowering in special mixture varieties, \$2.00 per 100.

Snowdrops, single, \$1.00 per 100.

Scilla Siberica, \$1.50 per 100.

SCILLA SIBERICA

Very fine, hardy, early blue flowering bulb. Plant in clusters or for border.

25c per doz., \$1.50 per 100.

ORNITHOGALUM ARABICUM**Star of Bethlehem.**

For indoor culture only. Large spikes or pure white flowers, black stamens.

6c each, 50c per doz.

CROCUS

Especially suitable for edging beds; blossoms very early in Spring.

NAMED VARIETIES

These are three or four times the size of the common sorts.

Baron Bruno. Deep blue.

Mont Blanc. Pure white.

Sir Walter Scott. White striped blue

Mammoth Yellow. Very fine.

Price of above 15c per doz., 80c per 100.

UNNAMED VARIETIES

White, striped, blue and yellow, or assorted; 10c per doz., 50c per 100.

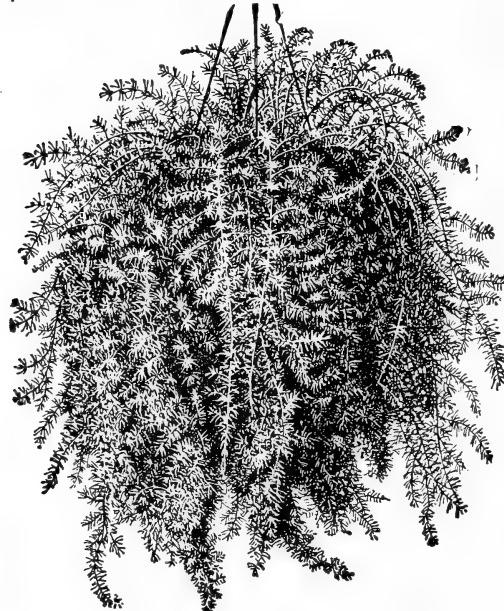
A FEW PLANTS ESPECIALLY SUITABLE FOR THE HOME DURING THE FALL AND WINTER

If you do not have our Spring Catalog of all kinds of Shrubs, Plants, etc., both for fall and spring planting, drop us a card and we will gladly send same.

AZALEAS

For conservatory or home decoration these beautiful and highly ornamental evergreen plants are unequalled.

Ready in November. Several of the best varieties. First size \$1.00 each; second size, \$1.50; third size, \$2.00 each.



Asparagus Sprengerii

ASPARAGUS PLUMOSUS

Especially suited for fern dishes. The stem is tufted, slender and gracefully arching. The whole plant is of bright, cheerful green, and one of the most distinct and effective decorative plants, of easiest possible culture, thriving best in full light—but not in direct sun. After the plants become large, they throw long tendrils, 4 to 6 feet long, which are beautiful for decoration. 10c, 20c, 30c and 50c each.

BEGONIAS

Flowering varieties in assortment. 15c each, 4 for 50c.

ARACAURIA EXCELSA (Norfolk Island Pine)

Sometimes called Xmas Tree Palm, from its resemblance to a Xmas tree, and others call it the "Star Palm" because the leaves are arranged to form a perfect star. It has deep green, feathery foliage arranged in whorls, rising one above the other at regular distances. \$1.00 and \$2.00 each.

ASPARAGUS SPRENGERI

A grand trailing plant especially useful to grow as a pot plant for house decoration or for planting in the hanging baskets, or window-boxes where it makes a graceful drooping plant with branches or fronds 4 or 5 feet in length, of a rich shade of green; 10c each, 50c for 6; large plants, by express, 20c, 30c and 50c each.

BEGONIAS REX

25c each.

CARNATIONS

Nice plants for fall and winter blooming.

Windsor. Medium pink.

Enchantress. Light pink.

Beacon. Bright scarlet.

Lawson. Dark pink.

Windsor. Medium pink.

Scarlet Glow. Dark scarlet.

White Perfection. Fine white. 20c each, 3 for 50c.

CALLA

Dwarf Calla, the Godfrey. Undoubtedly the finest Calla in cultivation. It far surpasses the common variety in freedom of bloom. Snow-white and of perfect form. Large, blooming size, 25c each.

Aethiopica. An excellent house plant, requiring an abundance of water during its growing season. Strong plants 20c, 30c and 50c each, according to size.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS

20 best varieties for pot culture in home for fall blooming.

Robert Halliday. Early light yellow.

Ivory. Dwarf, early, white.

Danatello. Bright golden yellow, early.

Unanka. Very early, broad curved petals, light yellow.

Glenview. A splendid bronze.

Mrs. Buckbee. One of the best mid-season white.

Hestons White. Incurved white. Compact flower.

Maud Dean. Incurved silvery pink.

Linwood Hill. Late, white, very large flower.

Roman Gold. Incurved deep golden yellow, mid-season.

Thanksgiving Queen. Creamy white, late.

Winter Cheer. Incurved deep pink.

Patty. Light daybreak pink, dwarf.

Golden Chadwick. Light yellow, incurved, late.

Alma. A perfect pink ball.

Chrysolaria. Very early. Medium shade of yellow.

Also several pompom varieties.

Price, strong plants from 6 inch pots.

pots 50c each, \$5.00 per doz., larger size \$1.00 each.

For complete descriptive list see our last spring's catalog.

CYCLAMEN PERSICUM

As a winter flowering plant there are but few that surpass the Cyclamen. Plant in rich soil and water sparingly until it is well started, when it can be treated like other house plants. Suitable for next winter's bloom. 25c each, 5 for \$1.00. Second size, 50c each.

PRIMROSES

Chinese, assorted colors. 10c each. 3 for 25c. Larger size, 20c each, 3 for 50c.

Obconica, everblooming. 10c each, 3 for 25c. Larger size 20c each, 3 for 50c.

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20c.

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